## HOUSE . . . . . . No. 1597

By Mr. Evangelidis of Holden, petition of Lewis G. Evangelidis relative to the continuation of workers' compensation benefits. Labor and Workforce Development.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONTINUATION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 34 of chapter 152 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by adding the following at the end thereof:— "provided,
- 3 however, in those instances where an employee has received the
- 4 maximum 156 weeks of benefits under this section, and where
- 5 there is no agreement pursuant to section 19, and there has been
- 6 no discontinuance or modification order of an administrative
- 7 judge, then the employee shall continue to receive benefits equal
- 8 to 45 percent of his or her average weekly wage pursuant to
- 9 section 35."